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1. NOTICE. The SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY, a public agency of the State of California, ("Owner") hereby gives notice that it will accept Bids for construction of the following public work:

Contract Number 60-6-7#35 Wohler Control Building Switchgear Upgrade

- 2. DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF THE WORK. The Work is comprised of replacement of existing motor control center main air type 5 kV circuit breaker current and potential transformers and protective relays with a compact vacuum type circuit breaker and solid state protective relay. The Work includes furnishing and installing the circuit breaker and relay, modifications to the switchgear to accommodate the new circuit breaker and transformers relay, coordination and arc flash studies with upstream protective devices, setting the relays arc flash study, start-up testing, and training Owner's personnel on the proper operation and maintenance of the equipment and systems. The Project is located at the Sonoma County Water Agency Wohler Control Building at 9750 Wohler Road near the unincorporated town of Forestville, California. Bidding Documents contain the full description of the Work.
- **3.** ESTIMATED PROJECT COST RANGE: \$75,000 to 125,000.
- **4. REQUIRED CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE.** A California "C 10" contractor's license is required to Bid this Contract. Joint ventures must secure a joint venture license prior to award of this Contract.
- **5.** CONTACT INFORMATION.

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Sonoma County Water Agency

P.O. Box 11628

Santa Rosa, CA 95406-1628

Project Engineer:

Jim Flessner, P. E.

Phone:

707-521-1810

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Sonoma County Water Agency 404 Aviation Boulevard

Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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707-523-4322

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www.sonomacountywater.org

6. PROCUREMENT OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS. Bidders may examine Bidding Documents at Owner's Office. Bidders may obtain copies of Bidding Documents upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$20 for each copy. Owner will accept cash or checks payable to "Sonoma County Water Agency." Bidding Documents need not be returned to Owner. Bidding Documents contain a reduced set of Drawings. Bidders may arrange to obtain full-size Drawings from Draftech Blue Printing, 1544 Terrace Way, Santa Rosa, CA 95404 for an additional charge to be paid directly to Draftech.

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MANDATORY PRE-BID SITE VISIT. Owner will conduct Pre-Bid Site Visits at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 5, 2007, and at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 7, 2007. Meet at Wohler Control Building, 9750 Wohler Road, near the unincorporated town of Forestville, California. For a map of the pre-bid site visit location, see page 2 of Document 00201 titled Bid Submittal Vicinity Map.

Bidders must attend one of the Pre-Bid Site Visits and sign an attendance roster as a condition to bidding.

Bidders will be provided the opportunity to investigate conditions or otherwise conduct invasive investigations, explorations, tests, or studies at the Pre-Bid Site Visit, subject to delivering an executed Document 00210 (Indemnity and Release Agreement) and providing an insurance certificate as described therein by noon of the Day prior to the Pre-Bid Site Visit. This will be the Bidders' only opportunity to investigate conditions at the Site. Bidders who intend only to observe Site conditions and not conduct such examinations are not required to provide an executed Document 00210 (Indemnity and Release Agreement) or an insurance certificate for the Pre-Bid Site Visit. The Pre-Bid Site Visit is merely a showing of the Site and existing conditions, and will not provide an opportunity for Bidders to have questions answered. Bidders are encouraged, however, to submit written questions. Owner will transmit to all parties recorded as having received Bidding Documents such Addenda as Owner in its discretion considers necessary in response to written questions. Bidding Documents will not be available at the Pre-Bid Site Visit.

Bidders shall not rely on oral statements. Oral statements will not be binding or legally effective.

Other Pre-Bid Site Visits may be scheduled at Owner's sole discretion, depending on staff availability.

- 7. INSTRUCTIONS. Bidders shall refer to Document 00200 (Instructions to Bidders) for required documents and items to be submitted in sealed envelopes for deposit into the Bid boxes, located at Owner's Office, and applicable times for submission.
 - **8. QUALIFICATIONS.** The following are minimum requirements for the Bidder to be found responsible to perform the Work:
 - a. List years of experience as a continuously operating entity engaged in the performance of similar work (Five years required, minimum). Upon request from Owner, provide evidence of compliance with the requirements within one Business Day of request.
 - **9. BID SUBMISSION.** Sealed Bids will be received by the Board's representative at Owner's Office (see paragraph 5) until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, June 21, 2007. Owner's staff will determine official time by calling 707-767-1111. Owner's representative will call out the designated time in the reception area of Owner's Office, stating that the period for accepting Bids is closed. The Bid opening will be in accordance with procedures set forth in Document 00200 (Instructions to Bidders).
 - 10. BID PREPARATION COST. Bidders are solely responsible for the cost of preparing their Bids.
 - **11. CONTRACT TIME.** Work shall be completed within **110** Days from the date when Contract Time commences to run. Please review Document 520, Article 3 for additional restraints.

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- **12. PREVAILING WAGE LAWS.** The successful Bidder must comply with all prevailing wage laws applicable to the Project, and related requirements contained in the Contract Documents.
- 13. SUBSTITUTION OF SECURITIES. Owner will permit successful Bidder to substitute securities for retention monies withheld to ensure performance of Contract, as set forth in Document 00680 (Escrow Agreement for Security Deposits in Lieu of Retention), in accordance with California Public Contract Code, Section 22300. The successful Bidder shall have the rights and options under Public Contract Code Section 22300 regarding disposition and handling of retention funds.
- **14. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS.** Owner specifically reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any or all Bids, or re-bid, or to waive inconsequential deviations from Bid requirements not involving time, price, or quality of the Work.

By order of the Board of Directors of the Sonoma County Water Agency.

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Robert Deis, Clerk of the Board of Directors

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